

December 31, 2003

MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re:

Application of Toshiyuki OGATA, Koutaro ENDO and Hiroshi KOMANO

POSITIVE RESIST COMPOSITION AND BASE MATERIAL CARRYING

LAYER OF THE POSITIVE RESIST COMPOSITION Assignee: TOKYO OHKA KOGYO CO., LTD.

Our Ref: Q77760



This is a request for a Divisional Application of pending prior Application No. 09/922,723 (Confirmation No. 1261) filed August 7, 2001 of Toshiyuki OGATA, Koutaro ENDO and Hiroshi KOMANO entitled POSITIVE RESIST COMPOSITION AND BASE MATERIAL CARRYING LAYER OF THE POSITIVE RESIST COMPOSITION.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 1752.

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

This is a divisional of Application No. 09/922,723 filed August 7, 2001; the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

Priority is claimed from:

Country

Application No

Filing Date

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2000-240871

September 8, 2000

The priority document was filed in parent Application No. 09/922,723.

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A check for the statutory fee of \$770.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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